Memorandum

Date: November 29, 2012

To: Members of UAMS Graduate Council and All Other Graduate Faculty

From: Dr. Alesia Ferguson, Chair

Subject: Graduate Council Meeting Minutes – November 29, 2012

Members Present: Drs. Abraham, Ferguson, Prather, Basnaki, Hendrickson, Benes, Gray, Tilford, Atcherson, Ms. Becky Butler, Dr. Josh Phelps for Dr. Tina Crook, Dr. Wessinger for Dr. Steven Post, Ms. Faith McDaniel

Members Absent: Dr. Steven Post, Dr. Tina Crook, Dr. Rosalia Simmen, Dr. Julia Goodwin

Non-voting Members Present: Dr. Robert E. McGehee, Dr. Kristen Sterba, Mr. Jackie McRoberts

Non-voting Members Absent: Ms. Pattie Hamilton

Attendee: Ms. Pam McCullough

Dr. Ferguson called the meeting to order.

1. Approval of the Minutes

   The minutes for October 25, 2012 were approved.

2. Administrative Items

   Dr. McGehee announced that Ms. Pattie Hamilton has returned to the Graduate School on a part-time basis and will return full-time as soon as she is able.
He discussed the Inter-Professional Education (IPE) council that was recently formed. Dr. McGehee would like someone to represent the Graduate School on the IPE council and report to the Graduate Council on possible ways we would be able to participate.

Report from Dr. Sterba

Dr. Sterba reported that the Graduate Student Teachers of Central Arkansas (GSTCA) activities included speaker, Robin Smith, who spoke on developing an online curriculum. An upcoming speaker is scheduled to discuss how to engage students. Eight UAMS Graduate School students have been placed in undergraduate student teaching positions.

Graduate Student Association

The annual Thanksgiving Potluck was very successful, with a significantly improved turnout and food contributions. This is likely attributable to Janice kindly forwarding the email to all Biomed Employees.

The GSA Marathon Team will make jerseys available to the entire campus to order for $10 each. Participation among graduate students is about the same as last year.

Faith McDaniel announced that the end of the Semester Party will be held at Vino’s

She also announced a change in the GSA officers. Faith McDaniel is stepping down, Adam Brown (Current VP) will be filling the role of President. The Vice-President position will be filled at the meeting on November 30th.

Old Business
No old business

3. New Business
No new business

4. Reports from Committees

Curriculum Committee - The curriculum committee recommended approving the addition of the following Graduate School courses:

PHSC 5013 Medicinal Chemistry for Graduate Students
PHSC 6113 Bioorganic Mechanisms
PHSC 6133 Biosynthesis of Selected Natural Products
PHSC 6153 Design of Molecules w/Drug-like Properties
PHSC 6163 Advanced Organic Chemistry
PHSC 6173 Pharmacognosy Complementary Alternative Medicine
PHSC 6213 Controlled Release Dosage Form
PHSC 6223 Drug Action & Design
PHSC 6313 Clinical & Pharmaceutical Analysis
PHSC 6332 Pharmacogenetics of Drug Metabolism
PHSC 6353 Advanced Pharmacogenetics/Genomics
PHSC 6413 Radiation Biology
PHSC 6513 Pharmacoepidemiology
PHSC 700V Dissertation

The Council approved the above course recommendations.

Assessment Committee – No report

Faculty Committee – No report

5. Announcements

Dr. McGehee stated that a new Ph.D. program in Epidemiology is forthcoming.

Dr. Atcherson stated that several Doctor of Audiology students are interested in pursuing a Ph.D. degree. The program is researching the possibility of implementing a dual degree Au.D./Ph.D. program.

Dr. McGehee stated that due to the Christmas holidays, the next Graduate Council meeting would be held on January 17th.

The meeting adjourned at 4:47 p.m.